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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Souder introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
3 SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON ASSISTANCE TO MEXICO FOR
4 FISCAL YEAR 1998 UNLESS THE GOVERN5 MENT OF MEXICO MEETS CERTAIN NARCOT6 ICS CONTROL REQUIREMENTS.
7 (a) PROHIBITION ON BILATERAL ASSISTANCE.—

- 1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other 2 provision of law, United States assistance may not 3 be provided to Mexico for fiscal year 1998 unless the 4 President determines and certifies to the Congress 5 not later than September 1, 1997, that the Govern-6 ment of Mexico meets the following requirements:
 - (A) The Government of Mexico has granted not less than 5 percent of the requests by the United States Government pending on April 1, 1997, for the extradition of Mexican nationals to the United States for the prosecution of such nationals for narcotics-related crimes.
 - (B) In addition to the number of agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration stationed in Mexico on March 1, 1997, the Government of Mexico has allowed not less than an additional 20 agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration to be stationed in Mexico.
 - (C) The Government of Mexico has enacted Federal laws, and promulgated appropriate regulations to carry out such laws, to prevent narcotics-related money laundering.
 - (D) The Government of Mexico has made progress in the establishment and implementation of appropriate institutional mechanisms to

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- prevent and punish public corruption that facilitates the production, processing, or shipment of narcotic and psychotropic drugs and other controlled substances, or that discourages the investigation or prosecution of these acts.
 - (2) Definition.—As used in this subsection, the term "United States assistance" has the meaning given such term in section 481(e)(4) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2291(e)(4)).

(b) Prohibition on Multilateral Assistance.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—If the President does not determine and certify to the Congress by September 1, 1997, that the Government of Mexico meets the requirements described in subsection (a)(1), then the Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Director of each multilateral development bank to vote against any loan or other utilization of the funds of their respective institution to or for Mexico for 1998.
- (2) DEFINITION.—As used in this subsection, the term "multilateral development bank" has the meaning given such term in the second sentence of section 490(a)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2291j(a)(2)).